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United States Postal Service

## INDUSTRYALERT

Mailing Industry Stakeholders:

Postmaster General Pat Donahoe issued a letter and video today to assure mailers that the Postal Service is not going out of business or be privatized. The Postal Service plays a vital role in America's economy and society. This past year USPS delivered 167.6 billion pieces of mail and sustains a \$1 trillion mailing industry that employs 8 million people.

This communication will bring you the up-to-date steps the Postal Service is taking on the legislative, network optimization and wages and benefits fronts to ensure the financial health of USPS now and in years to come. The PMG continues to urge Congress to allow the move from six-day delivery schedule to five days per week. On the retail front, the USPS is studying whether to close up to 3,700 retail facilities, and we continue to consolidate delivery routes. USPS is also developing a proposal to adjust service standards and Critical Entry Times for First-Class and Periodicals to allow the streamlining of the mail processing network.

This is a very important message that needs to be shared with your members and co-workers. Please feel free to distribute and post on your website.

Please click to view the video and letter. Also, the video can be downloaded for your convenience.

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